



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5664**

LCO No. 4058

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE AWARD OF RIBBONS AND MEDALS TO  
VETERANS FOR SERVICE IN TIME OF WAR.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 27-73e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs in conjunction with the  
4 Adjutant General shall award a ribbon and medal to each veteran who  
5 served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103,  
6 and who either (1) was a resident of this state at the time he or she was  
7 called to active duty for such service, or (2) is domiciled in this state on  
8 the date of such award. The commissioner in conjunction with the  
9 Adjutant General shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter  
10 54, setting forth the process for designing the ribbon and medal,  
11 identifying veterans who are eligible for the ribbon and medal under  
12 this section and establishing procedures for distributing the ribbon and  
13 medal to each eligible veteran. The cost of the ribbons and medals shall  
14 be paid from the funds appropriated to the military assistance account  
15 within the Military Department. [On or after July 1, 2005, awards]  
16 Awards under this section may be made posthumously.

17     **(b) The commissioner, in conjunction with the Adjutant General,**  
 18     **shall award a ribbon and medal as described in subsection (a) of this**  
 19     **section to a resident who is not a veteran of the armed forces of the**  
 20     **United States, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, upon**  
 21     **determination by the commissioner that such resident was a foreign**  
 22     **national who aided the armed forces of the United States in a period of**  
 23     **war, as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 27-103.**

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	27-73e
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To allow the ribbons and medals awarded for service in time of war to be awarded posthumously and to be awarded to foreign nationals who aided the armed forces of the United States during periods of war.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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